MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: We shall now take up clause-by-clause consideration of the Bill

Clauses 2, 3 and the Schedule were added to the Bill

Clause I, the Enacting Formula and the Title were added to the Bill.

SHRI P. CHIDAMBARAM: Sir, I move:

That the Bill be returned.

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

GOVERNMENT BILL

The Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order (Amendment) Bill, 2008

THE MINISTER OF TRIBAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH): Sir, I move for leave to introduce a Bill further to amend the Constituton (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950 to modify the list of Scheduled Tribes in the State of Arunachal Pradesh.

The question was put and the motion was adopted.

SHRI P.R. KYNDIAH: Sir, I introduce the Bill.

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: The Karnataka Budget will be taken up after the lunch hour. The House is adjourned for lunch for one hour.

The House then adjourned for lunch at fifty-four minutes past one of the clock.

The House reassembled after lunch at fifty-four minutes past two of the clock. MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN in the Chair.

THE BUDGET (KARNATAKA), 2008-09

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: General discussion on the Budget (Karnataka). Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu.

SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU (Karnataka): Sir, if Narayanasamyji is taken out of the House, we will have a smooth debate and...*(Interruptions)*...

MR. DEPUTY CHAIRMAN: You have not heard it. ...*(Interruptions)*...

SHRI M. VENKAIAH NAIDU: He is Whip and he is doing his duty. I am happy about it. ... *(Interruptions)*...

3.00 P.M.

Hon. Deputy Chairman, Sir, I rise to speak on the Vote on Account Budget of Karnataka. In the first instance I would like to ask the Finance Minister why Vote on Account for six months, why not three months. Sir, there is an all round impression that there is a *mala fide* intention behind this move because the elections are due in the State of Karnataka and they are being postponed on one excuse or another. Sir, the essence of the democracy, as you are aware, is that the people should be allowed to rule by themselves. But here the Centre for whatever reason is trying to rule through backdoor. That is not a good thing for the country Sir, thanks to the better management of economy by the previous Government in office in